GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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CLEARANCE FOR THE DRUGS
Patil Shri Balasaheb Vikhe

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that one of the largest multinational drug company in the country, i.e., Glaxo Smithkline is planning to sell in India drugs that are off patents globally;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any clearance has been given by the Licensing Authority ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) M/s. Glaxo Smithkline has not approached the office of the Drugs Controller General (India) for any permission to market drugs that are off-patent globally, for sale in India.

(b) to (d) Question do not arise.